

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraph on page 1 beginning at line 4 with the following amended paragraph:

--The present invention relates to an apparatus adapted to turn round a series of predetermined articles successively. The present application is based on, and claims priority from, Japanese Application Serial Number 2002-333358, filed November 18, 2002, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--